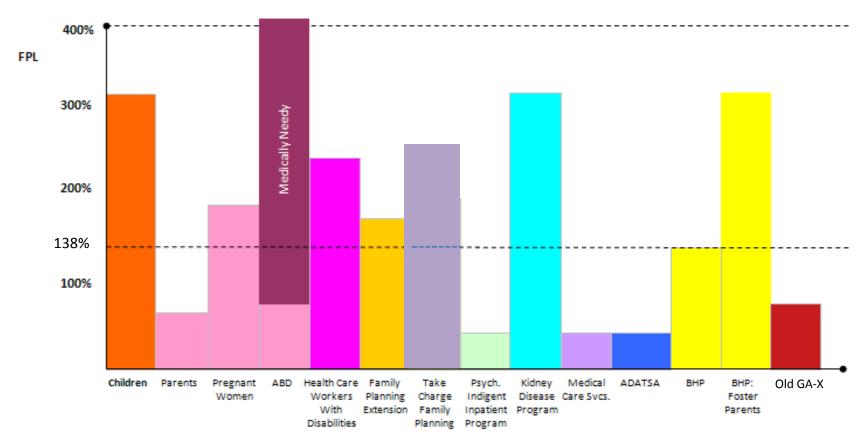


Health Care Reform in Washington State – Medicaid Expansion Overview

Washington State of Reform Conference January 9, 2013

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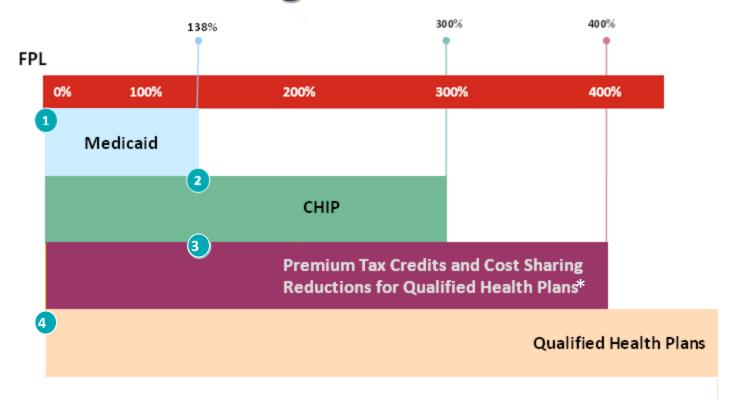
Today's Washington State Landscape



Coverage Program



2014 "Insurance Affordability Program" Coverage Continuum



Federal Basic Health Plan Option for individuals with incomes between 138% and 200% of the FPL will not be available in 2014.

The ACA's "133% of the FPL" = 138% of the FPL because of a 5% across-the-board income disregard.

Federal Poverty Levels and Annual Income (2012)

Federal Poverty Level	Annual Income: Individual	Annual Income Level: Family of 3		
100%	\$11,170	\$19,090		
133%	\$14,856	\$25,390		
138%	\$15,415	\$26,344		
200%	\$22,340	\$38,180		
300%	\$33,510	\$57,270		
400%	\$44,680	\$76,360		

ACA Vision Recap: Near Universal Coverage

- Coverage accessible and affordable for every Washington resident
- Medicaid is key element of continuum of Insurance
 Affordability Programs (IAPs) expanded Medicaid, CHIP, and
 Exchange Qualified Health Plans (with or without subsidies)
- Medicaid managed care delivery like Qualified Health Plans
- Exchange web portal offers transparent market place to shop and compare choices
- Streamlined processes and accessible web portal support real time, technology enabled IAP eligibility determination and insurance enrollment

Eligibility/Enrollment Projections

	N	
Currently Enrolled	1,095,254	~429,000 have private
Potential New Enrollees	1,039,228	coverage and most will retain that coverage.
Currently Eligible, Not Enrolled ¹	544,921	
Newly Eligible Under Reform	494,307	
Projected New Enrollment 2	328,221	Welcome Mat
Currently Eligible, Not Enrolled	77,913 —	~11,000 uninsured adults ~18,500 uninsured children
Newly Eligible	250,308	~30,500 insured children
		~18,000 insured adults

Source: UI Analysis of Augmented WA State Database

- This estimate may be an overstatement. Our data represent a single point in time; crowd-out provisions and other aspects of eligibility that require knowledge of an applicant's history could not be modeled.
- 2. We simulate the Medicaid expansion as if fully implemented in 2011



New Medicaid Enrollees Report Good Health Overall

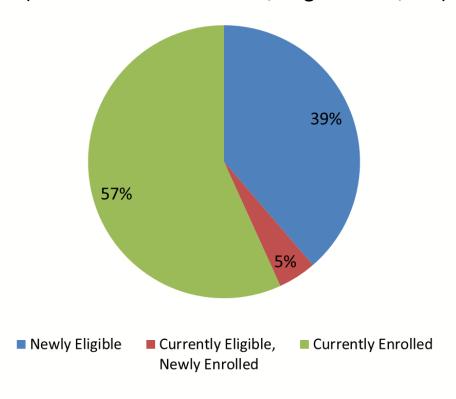
	Eligibility of Projected New Enrollees						
	Currently Eligible, Not Enrolled		Newly Eligible		Total		
	N	%	Ν	%	N	%	
Total	77,913	100.0%	250,308	100.0%	328,221	100.0%	
Health Status							
Excellent - Good	58,726	75.4%	180,407	72.1%	239,133	72.9%	
Fair - Poor	19,187	24.6%	69,901	27.9%	89,088	27.1%	

Source: UI Analysis of Augmented WA State Database

Post ACA Implementation: Medicaid Enrollment of Nonelderly Adults

With Large Growth in Enrollment, Average Costs Decline

Reform: 633K Enrollees, Avg. Cost \$7,293 (Baseline: 359K Enrollees, Avg. Cost \$7,906)



Uninsured Groups Remain

- Undocumented immigrants
- Individuals exempt from the mandate who choose to not be insured (e.g., because coverage not affordable)
- Individuals subject to the mandate who do not enroll (and are therefore subject to the penalty)
- Individuals who are eligible for Medicaid but do not enroll

Access to Care – OFM Research

- Results from a survey of primary care physicians show that:
 - About 90 percent of primary care physicians provide care for some patients covered by Medicaid.
 - Close to 80% of primary care physicians are accepting new patients
 - 30% of this group don't include Medicaid clients in their expansion plans
 - Just over 20% reported that all new patients could be covered by Medicaid.
- Sample reports available:
 - Characteristics and distribution of current primary care physicians
 - http://www.ofm.wa.gov/healthcare/deliverysystem/2011_PCP_survey_fr equency report.pdf
 - Availability of Primary Care Physicians to Serve the Medicaid Expansion
 - http://www.ofm.wa.gov/researchbriefs/2012/brief065.pdf
 - Primary care physician availability in non-urban areas (available upon request)



Timeline: Much Work to be Done!

Jun-Nov 2012: System Detail Design for MAGI Medicaid eligibility/enrollment

May-Oct 2013:

- → Benchmark Benefit Design
- → Optional Programs Transition

Sep 2013: CMS Systems Certification

Oct 1 2013: Go Live.

Open enrollment begins. Medicaid applications accepted

> Jan 1 2014: Medicaid coverage for newly eligible adults begins

2012 2013

Jan-Apr 2013:

→ Legislative Session

→ WAC revisions

2014

Aug-Dec 2012:

Medicaid operational stakeholdering

- → Application Forms
- → Renewals Process
- → Quality Assurance
- → Client Letters

Nov-Dec 2012:

- → Fiscal modeling
- → Official Caseload Forecast Council maintenance projections
- → Governor's 2013-15 budget

Aug 2013: Complete **Operational Readiness Testing**

System Performance and

Dec 31, 2014:

Conversion to MAGI Medicaid complete for all eligible enrollees

and Unit Testing by Feb 2013. → Primary care provider rate increases.

campaign for Medicaid.

→ Initiate marketing & outreach

→ Complete System Development

Jan-Dec 2014: Phased implementation of further systems features (tbd)



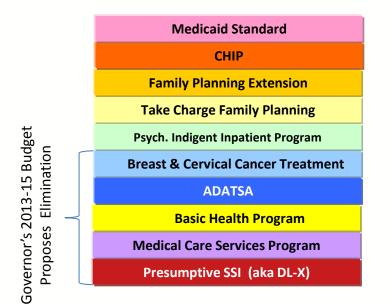
Medicaid Expansion Goals

- Optimize opportunities to streamline administrative processes
- Leverage new federal financing opportunities to ensure the Medicaid expansion is sustainable
- Maximize use of technology to create consumerfriendly application/enrollment/renewal experience
- Maximize continuity of coverage and care as individuals move between subsidized IAP coverage options
- Reform the Washington way --- comply with, or seek waiver from, specific ACA requirements related to coverage and eligibility, as needs are identified

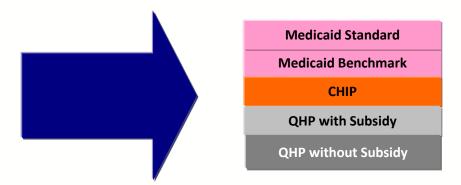
Key Considerations

- Governor directed agencies to proceed with Medicaid expansion –
 see http://www.hca.wa.gov/hcr/me
- Spending authority requires further Legislative/Executive action
- Federal guidance still needed in critical areas
 - Medicaid benefit design for newly eligible adult group
 - Conversion to MAGI eligibility determination Oct 2013 for children, parents and pregnant women
 - Methodology for streamlined federal funding (FMAP)
 - Continued financing for Take Charge waiver (2014) and CHIP reauthorization (2015)
- Major outreach and education in 2013
- Healthplanfinder web portal "Go-Live" October 2013 short timelines influence feasibility of 2014 implementation options

ACA Opportunity to Streamline Programs



2014 Coverage Continuum through Insurance Affordability Programs (IAP)



Streamlining considerations – numbers affected, access/continuity of coverage through IAP continuum, administrative complexity, transition timing



Benefits for New Adult Group

- States must provide comprehensive Benchmark coverage (now called Alternate Benefit Plan) to adults in new adult eligibility group
 - Must continue to include:
 - EPSDT for any child under age 21 covered under the state plan
 - FQHC/RHC services
 - Non-emergency transportation
 - Family planning services and supplies
 - All 10 essential health benefits (EHBs) required:
 - Ambulatory Services
 - Emergency services
 - Hospitalization
 - Maternity and newborn care
 - Mental health and substance use disorder services, including behavioral health treatment
 - Prescription drugs
 - Rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices
 - Laboratory services
 - Preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management
 - Pediatric services, including oral and vision care
 - Must also meet mental health and substance abuse parity
- Alternate Benefit Plan may differ from standard Medicaid
- Public notice needed before CMS will approve new benefits plans



Costs of Not Expanding Medicaid



Consumers

Individuals whose incomes are too high for Medicaid but too low for Premium Tax Credits (less than 100% of the FPL) will have no coverage options and no tax subsidies for purchasing health insurance



Hospitals will face not only the continued costs of providing uncompensated care, but also a reduction in federal disproportionate share hospital (DSH) funding



Employers

Employers will face new coverage obligations for individuals with incomes between 100% and 138% of the FPL; additionally, large employers will face a penalty if full-time employees in this income bracket obtain a premium tax credit through the Exchange



Interfacing between State Medicaid programs and the Exchange will become very complex administratively, with many "hand-offs" and eligibility determinations conducted against a patchwork of existing state Medicaid categories with variable income levels







See HCA Links for More Information

- Main HCA web-site: http://www.hca.wa.gov/
 - For information about the Medicaid expansion:
 http://www.hca.wa.gov/hcr/me
 - To contact the HCA concerning the Medicaid expansion: <u>medicaidexpansion2014@hca.wa.gov</u>
 - For demo on Deloitte Healthplanfinder (~2 hours)
 https://deloittemeetings.webex.com/deloittemeetings/ldr.php?AT=pb&SP=MC&rID=14808187&rKey=203bf4bc67d42b8b
- Webinars and presentations around the state
 - See upcoming schedule and past events at:
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